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PROVISIONAL ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 WITH TRAVERSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 22, 2002 (Paper No. 10), please consider the following amendment, traversal, provisional election, and remarks. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendment prior to examination of the captioned application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet; (b) an Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 attaching form PTO/SB08 and copies of references AA-AI; and (c) a Version with Markings to Show Changes Made. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Title:

Please delete the existing title and replace therefore:

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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2-12, 14 \$5, 21, and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer.